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Ref: 2997-23344

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
EXPOSITO A Sand, Reservoir A
LAPEYROUSE FIELD
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Energy Partners, Ltd.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Energy Partners, Ltd.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the EXPOSITO A Sand, Reservoir A, SUA in the Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 67 acres for the EXPOSITO A Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, designated as the EXPOSITO A RA SUA, Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit operator and unit well for the unit created herein;
5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The EXPOSITO A Sand, Reservoir A, in the Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand between the depths of 13,117 feet (-13,074' subsea) and 13,187 feet (-13,144' subsea) (electrical log measurements) in the Castex Energy, Inc.-William K. Wurzlowl No. 1 Well, located in Section 17, Township 20 South, Range 18 East, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on March 30, 2006. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. It is anticipated that there will be no opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the EXPOSITO A RA SUA, Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Art Christy of W. H. Robbins & Associates, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, La 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and
Interested Parties and parties
on attendance list

